

**The Saskatchewan Co-Operative
Commonwealth Federation
(C.C.F.)**

**PROVINCIAL
PLATFORM**

As formulated by the
Delegates assembled in Annual Convention
July 1936

SAFETY!

*---What would You
give for Safety?*

Safety for You and Your Children

The attitude and actions of the old line parties convince even the most hardened party man that the traditional policy of the old parties is to protect invested capital even though this policy may cause human misery and suffering.

When human rights and investments clash, the traditional policy of the old parties is to allow the situation to drift until pressure makes it impossible to dilly-dally any longer.

Added to this quite apparent fact is another equally startling. The Liberal Party in particular, have clearly demonstrated their opposition to Public Ownership, Cooperation, and State aid to Agriculture.

It is quite true that they do not come out and say so, but actions sometimes speak louder than words. Their favorite alibi is that the Government must "Stay out of Business" and they completely overlook the fact that by the Liberal policy of non-assistance to Cooperatives, non-assistance to Agriculture, non-intervention in business, they are really allowing the Trust and the Monopolies "To put the rest of us out of business".

The C. C. F. has looked about and has decided that a sane policy of Public Ownership, of governmental assistance to the needy, governmental regulation of "Big Business" and governmental assistance in creating publicly owned Cooperative Institutions will bring to Saskatchewan and Canada the same benefits as these policies have brought to Sweden and other socially minded countries. Countries whose people are enjoying cultural advantages and economic safety, which we Canadians have so far failed to realize.

—Think It Over—

CO-OPERATIVE COMMONWEALTH FEDERATION (SASK. SECTION)

PROVINCIAL PLATFORM

The purpose of the C. C. F. is the establishment in Canada of a Cooperative Commonwealth in which the principle regulating production, distribution and exchange will be the supplying of human needs.

To this end a C. C. F. Government in power in Saskatchewan would substitute social planning in the place of the ruthless competition now practised under Capitalism.

Being keenly aware of the pitiful conditions existing in the homes of the majority of our citizens and realizing that a large number of the people of this province live in daily dread of legal action on the part of creditors, the C. C. F., believing as it does, that these conditions have been created by a worn out economic system, is determined and will take active and effective steps to protect the homes of the people and to bring in a new order of society.

The C. C. F. recognizes that a new economic system cannot be created overnight but would require a period of transition during which a new social order would have to be built step by step. The guiding principle in every such step will be the raising of the cultural level and the betterment of the living conditions of the people.

With this objective in view, a Saskatchewan C. C. F. Government pledges itself to implement the following program:

SECURITY

1. To give security to farmers on their farms and to urban dwellers in their homes.

DEBT REDUCTION

2. To bring about drastic reduction of debt.

HEALTH SERVICES

3. To provide socialized Health Services.

WORK AND WAGES

4. To provide a program of useful public works with wages at trade union rates and to give standardized adequate relief based upon the standard arrived at by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics until work and wages have been provided. In this we shall give special recognition to the unfortunate position of youth and shall make every effort to give youth every opportunity on this programme.

EQUAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY

5. To provide equal educational opportunity for all.

INCREASED SOCIAL SERVICES

6. To provide increased social services.

CURRENCY AND BANKING REFORM

7. To join with others in bringing about the national issue and control of currency and credit.

MARKETING BOARD

8. To actively support a Growers' National Marketing Board whose duty it shall be to market agricultural products and fix for the grower a price which will return to him the average cost of production plus a decent standard of living.

LIBERTY AND PEACE

9. To strive for the maintenance of Peace and for the retention and extension of the Democratic rights of the people. The C. C. F. Government will prohibit and remove any act which will infringe upon the rights of citizenship.

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